

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner Carol S. Tsai	Art Unit 2857	

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTO-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to 3/6/2006.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3.
3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All b) Some* c) None of the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 3/6/2006
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on March 06, 2006 was filed after the mailing date of the Ex Parte Quayle Action on January 19, 2006. The submission is in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97. Accordingly, the information disclosure statement is being considered by the examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-3 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

U. S. Patent No. 6,957,151 to Cheng et al. is the reference closest to the claimed invention. Cheng et al. disclose a method for solubility prediction comprising: selecting a first plurality of descriptors comprising identifiable compound properties and characteristics; forming a correlated descriptor subset from the first plurality of descriptors wherein the correlated descriptor subset comprises selected descriptors identified by correlation analysis; generating a solubility prediction function comprising selected descriptors from the correlated descriptor subset identified by statistical analysis of the correlated descriptor subset using a training data set; and applying the solubility prediction function to predict a compound's solubility on the basis of descriptor information for the compound. However, Cheng et al. do not teach a method of predicting solubility of a chemical compound comprising the steps of: a. identifying an electronically stored library of chemical molecules; b. building a computational model of a solid

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state of a molecule from said library by assembling a cluster of three or more copies of said molecule using a molecular mechanics method; c. computing energy, packing and interaction parameters from said model; d. computing other descriptors useful for predicting solubility of said molecule; e. repeating steps (b), (c) and (d) for every molecule from said library; f. building a solubility model using a quantitative method, which uses the parameters and descriptors computed in steps (c), (d) and (e); g. repeating steps (b), (c) and (d) for said compound; h. computing predicted solubility of said compound using said model and parameters and descriptors computed for said compound in steps (c), (d) and (e); and including all of the other limitations in the respective independent claims.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Contact Information

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Carol S. W. Tsai whose telephone number is (571) 272-2224. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Marc S. Hoff can be reached on (571) 272-2216. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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